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In re Application of: Group Art Unit: 1764

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For: CANNING STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING CATALYTIC

CONVERTER USING THE CANNING STRUCTURE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the case, please undertake the following changes: